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SETTING UP OF DISTRICT DISABILITY REHABILITATION CENTRES (DDRCs)
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up District Disability Rehabilitation Centres (DDRCs) under Persons with Disabilities Act, 1995 to help the disabled persons in the country;

(b) if so, the total number of such centres established in different States and Union Territories (UTs) along with its locations, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether all such centres sanctioned are functional in its locations;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the Government proposes to set up such centres in those districts where such centres are not available and also received proposals from respective State Governments in this regard;

(f) if so, the details thereof alongwith locations of proposed centres, State-wise; and

(g) the present status of proposals and the time by which such centres are likely to be set up?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) Yes Sir.

(b) to (d) So far 199 District Disability Rehabilitation Centres have been sanctioned and at present, 140 Centres are functioning. The remaining centres are yet to become functional for various reasons which include non-formation of District Management Team, non-identification of implementing agency, lack of necessary manpower etcâ€¦

(e) to (g) District Disability Rehabilitation Centres are set up keeping in view inter- alia requests of the State Governments, presence of significantly higher number of persons with disabilities as well as inadequate availability of services of Government/Semi-Government or Non-Governmental Organizaiton for such persons in the district.